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1. Russian transport officials have directed that the gate of the Mittelland Canal-Rothensee Lock which was closed for repairs remain closed. It is alleged that repair work is to be carried out which will take some time.
2. At the order of the Soviet Control Commission the Berlin-Fuerstenwalde-Frankfurt/Oder Autobahn is to be put back into operating condition. A new bridge is being built near Goldendorf. In this way the Autobahn is connected to the large Russian East-West Rollbahn.
3. The bridge across the Havel River on the road from Plaue/Havel to Kirchmoeser is being rebuilt. The bridge was blown up in May 1945. Work on rebuilding the bridge is to be completed in August 1953. As of 14 November 1952 about fifty workers were employed on the project. The channel (Fahrtrinne) under the bridge is 18 meters deep.
4. As of about 5 November 1952 the railroad bridge near Fuerstenberg on the Berlin-Neustrelitz line was near enough to completion so that a train could travel over it at a normal speed. The bridge is constructed of steel and concrete and is rather high.

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